## **State of South Dakota**

## EIGHTY-FIFTH SESSION LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY, 2010

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## HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 1011

Introduced by: Representatives Rounds, Conzet, Cutler, Hoffman, Hunt, Novstrup (David), Pitts, Rausch, and Rave and Senators Maher, Dempster, Hansen (Tom), Kloucek, Rhoden, and Tieszen

- 1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION, Endorsing Taiwan's participation as observer in the
- 2 International Civil Aviation Organization and United Nations Framework Convention on
- 3 Climate Change.
- 4 WHEREAS, civil aviation plays a pivotal role in promoting cultural exchange, business,
- 5 trade, and tourism; and
- WHEREAS, to develop international civil aviation in a safe and orderly manner is the
- 7 supreme cause of the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO); and
- 8 WHEREAS, Taiwan is the world's twentieth largest economy, eighteenth largest trading
- 9 country, and a key air transport hub linking Northeast and Southeast Asia; and
- WHEREAS, over 174,000 international flights travel to and from Taiwan, with foreign
- passengers making around 3.8 million trips to the island every year, and over 35 million
- passengers, including 25.39 million passengers on international flights, arrived and departed
- 13 from Taiwan's airports in 2008; and
- WHEREAS, without Taiwan's participation, international flight plans, regulations, and

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- 1 procedures that the ICAO formulates will be incomplete and unsafe:
- NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the House of Representatives of the Eighty-
- 3 fifth Legislature of the State of South Dakota, the Senate concurring therein, that the 2010
- 4 Legislature endorses the proposition that Taiwan participate in the International Civil Aviation
- 5 Organization as observer; and
- 6 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the 2010 Legislature is supportive of all efforts to grant
- 7 Taiwan official observer status at the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate
- 8 Change (UNFCCC) as a collaborative partner of the United Sates on a wide range of public
- 9 issues, Taiwan should be afforded the opportunity to participate in global efforts aimed at
- 10 reducing and preventing natural disasters.